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East Hampton Girl Scout Restores Camp Norweska Cabin on Town Property in Northwest for Girl Scout Gold Award Project

Ribbon-Cutting to be held at 1 p.m. on July 12

Lucia Ibrahim of Montauk worked for almost two years to complete the restoration of the building, which was commissioned by the Girl Scouts more than 50 years ago and had collapsed during a snowstorm several years ago.

Ms. Ibrahim raised the funds needed for the project, obtained town approvals, and engaged the help of community volunteers. She made presentations about the project at town board meetings, and worked with the town's buildings and grounds crew on coordinating efforts.

The cabin is now completely renewed and handicapped-accessible.

After the cabin collapsed, Lucia Ibrahim said, "I knew what I had to do, rebuild it for future Girl Scouts to use and enjoy like I did for so many years."

Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts have been using the rustic cabin at Camp Norweska, a town property in Northwest, for indoor activities since 1958.

Ms. Ibrahim enlisted professionals to develop a blueprint and rebuilding plan, worked with the town's building department and fire marshal to insure safety, and organized volunteers for the skilled labor needed to redo the site.

Those who wish to attend the ribbon-cutting have been asked to RSVP by sending an email to Ms. Ibrahim at luciadiane3@gmail.com.

The Gold Award is the highest achievement in Girl Scouting, recognizing girls who demonstrate extraordinary leadership through "Take Action" projects that have a sustainable impact on their communities and beyond.

"I am proud to see a young adult take on such an ambitious project as the culmination of her Girl Scout years," said East Hampton Town Supervisor Peter Van Scoyoc. "The commitment

and leadership skills Lucia has demonstrated in achieving something that will benefit our community should serve as a positive example for future generations."